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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

(HONORABLE MARILYN L. HUFF, JUDGE)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, v. BENJAMIN ZAZUERTA, Defendant.	Case No. 08cr0896-H **DECLARATION OF RICARDO M. GONZALEZ IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR ORDER SHORTENING TIME**

I, RICARDO M. GONZALEZ, declare as follows:

I am the attorney of record for defendant Benjamin Zazuerta in the above entitled matter and make this declaration in support of defendant's Application for Order Shortening Time in which to file Defendant's Notice of Motion and Motion for Discovery, with attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities in support thereof, so that defendant's discovery motion may be filed and served on May 8, 2008. The motions hearing date is currently scheduled for Monday, May 12, 2008, but a joint motion to continue the motions hearing to June 5, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. in being prepared.

Defendant's discovery motion was unable to be timely filed for the following reasons: this was a case that was originally with Federal Defenders and I have only recently received the available discovery in this case. The parities are continuing negotiation discussions. In addition, I haves attending to other pressing matters in my busy federal and state court law practice.

For the foregoing reasons, it is requested that defendant's application for an order shortening time be granted so that defendant's Notice of Motion and Motion for Discovery with attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities in support thereof may be filed and served on May 8, 2008.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 13, 2008.

s/Ricardo M. Gonzalez
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